

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Kate Gerhard has been the guest of Monroe friends during the week.

We are pleased to report that the health of Mrs. T. T. Vincent is thought to be improving.

The ladies of the Home Mission society of the M. E. church enjoyed an afternoon tea Wednesday at the home of Mrs. J. D. Wells. About forty ladies were present.

J. J. Cady, of the firm of Holtenburg & Cady, this city, went to Lincoln county Wednesday to attend business matters. He expected to return home tomorrow.

The Chemawa Indian girls vs OAC girls will play a game of basketball in the Armory this evening. All lovers of the sport will see a game worth while if they are out.

Miss Joyce Hershner, formerly of this city, the place of her birth, is now the leading candidate of Condon, Oregon, for the trip to Yellowstone Park, made possible by the Oregonian contest.

Attorney F. J. Yates, whose letter from Iowa we printed in our last issue, is home again. Mr. Yates has much to say in favor of that state and the hospitality of the people, but prefers "Old Oregon" for a home.

Mrs. Ella Humbert, of Eugene, will preach at the Christian church Sunday, morning and evening. She will be assisted by Miss Vesta Eason, a splendid vocalist, who will assist in the song service. All are invited.

George Gerhard was expected to arrive in Corvallis, his old home, yesterday. He is now city engineer at Bellingham Bay, Wash., and is getting along nicely. It is thirteen years since he has visited with relatives and friends in this city.

We acknowledge receipt of an invitation to attend the graduating exercises of the February class '06, of the state normal school at Monmouth. These exercises are to extend over the period from February 9 to 13. A good program for every day is offered those who can attend.

Rev. J. R. N. Bell delivered his last sermon in this city in the Presbyterian church last night. It was expected that he would remain here until after Sunday, but a telegram received made it necessary for him to return at once to his Baker City home. Rev. Bell is a practical pulpiteer of splendid attainments and always holds the attention of his congregation.

People have been talking since "Ground Hog Day," to the effect that there was nothing in the old saw about six weeks more winter in case the weather was clear enough for piggy to see his shadow when he came forth Feb. 2. On this occasion he could see his shadow, but it should be remembered that the saw declares for six weeks more winter—the six weeks are not up.

Congregational church: Sunday School 10 a. m.; Young Men's Class 10 a. m.; Worship and Sermon 11 a. m.; Junior Endeavor 3 p. m.; Senior Endeavor 6.30 p. m.; Vespers and Sermon 7.30 p. m. Morning sermon, "Visions That Help the Soul;" Evening sermon, "The Stock Raisers Who Moved to Town and Got Lost, or Whether is the Country or the City the Better Place to Live." There will be service at Plymouth at 3 o'clock.

The little steamer Walker, belonging to a Portland traffic company, and which has been rented by the Corvallis flouring mills for the past few months to transfer wheat to the upper Willamette, arrived in this city yesterday with a thousand bushels of oats for Savage & Fletcher, the feed men. This steamer is a very small craft, but has an extensive hauling capacity, and it was rented by the Fischer company, proprietors of the Corvallis mills, during the extremely low water to enable them to haul wheat upon the shallows of the upper stream during the summer season.—Statesman.

Wednesday evening about five o'clock Mrs. P. A. Moses, of this city, while sitting in her own house talking to her daughter and daughter-in-law was suddenly stricken with racking pains and her suffering was so intense that it was difficult to minister to her needs. A physician was hastily summoned and it was determined that she had a most severe attack of neuralgia of the stomach. Everything possible was done to relieve her and during the night she became more quiet. Yesterday she was not suffering to any great extent, and although quite ill and weak, was thought to be out of danger.

It was thought that county court would be adjourned yesterday.

Wednesday county court convened for attending the usual business of the month.

Next Monday is Lincoln's birthday and throughout this great land honor will be done the memory of the "martyred" president.

Sheriff Burnett, who has been quite ill recently at his home in this city, is reported to be improving and it is hoped that he will soon be well again.

United Evangelical church Sunday next: Morning subject, "Christian Unity;" Evening subject, "A Heroic Life." C. T. Hurd, the pastor, will preach.

Miss Agnes Wilson, of this city, was mentioned in the Oregonian of Wednesday as one of the sixteen leaders in the Oregonian contest for a free trip to Yellowstone Park.

Miss Winnie Michael came up from Portland, Monday, to spend the week with friends. She is well and reports all the folks in Portland to be in good health and doing nicely.

Spraying is on at the big orchard of the Benton County Prune Company. The orchard is so large that the task of spraying will never be ended. As it is the work will be prosecuted whenever the state of the weather will permit.

Services at the M. E. church, South, Sunday morning at eleven, and 7:30 p. m. Subject of morning sermon, "The Good Shepherd." At the evening service Rev. M. Noble of the Baptist church will preach. J. A. Ellison, pastor.

Walter Tootz was in Corvallis, Wednesday. He had been over to Lincoln county looking over his prospects as United States senator for which office he is a candidate. He passed on down the West Side after promising to return at no distant date to affiliate with us.

Baptist church Sunday: The pastor's subject at the eleven o'clock services will be "Lesson in Geometry." All heartily welcome. The Rev. M. Noble will preach on Sunday evening in the M. E. church, South; Subject "Unseen But Loved." Cordial invitation to all.

Mrs. Mary L. Logan, a lady 73 years of age, who resides near the Fischer mills, slipped and fell from the doorstep Wednesday morning and was so unfortunate as to break her left leg just above the ankle. At the age of Mrs. Logan such an accident is unusually unfortunate.

Presbyterian church, M. S. Bush, pastor: Bible School 10 a. m.; Worship 11 a. m., subject, "Taken Alive." Union Young People's meeting at the Christian church. Evening service at 7.30, subject, "The Course of True Love." Come and enjoy the opening song service.

The H. M. S. of the M. E. church, South, will give a Valentine social at the home of Mrs. McCausland, Wednesday evening, February 14. Proceeds to be used in their local work. A good time is insured. Everybody welcome, and the ladies earnestly solicit your patronage.

Subject at the Methodist Episcopal church by the pastor Sunday morning, "The Temptation of the Christ." In the evening the Epworth League will hold a Lincoln memorial service. The Grand Army and Woman's Relief Corps have been invited by the young people and will attend.

It is all right to accommodate people, but one is often ill paid for favors done. For instance, a few days ago Mrs. J. S. Booth loaned a stranger a ladder to use while he tacked up some tobacco signs. When the man got through he departed and a couple of days later Mrs. Booth was still hunting the ladder.

Mail Carrier Dawson reports some mighty good work on the part of Dick Scott and Ed Buchanan. From what is learned it appears that these gentlemen are doing a lot of strenuous donation work on the road near Willamette Grange. They have hitched eight horses to a grader and are leveling things up out there. The past week has been ideal for such work on the road, in fact, here in town there has been talk of the necessity of running the street sprinkler.

On Wednesday of next week we will celebrate St. Valentine's day. The old-time customs reported of this favored courtier are worthy of following, but unfortunately we have developed the custom of sending anonymously budgets for all sorts of "cussedness" that can only hurt the feelings of the recipient. After all there is an element of cowardice in our celebration of this day. To send tokens of love and friendship is well, but to use the mails as a means of conveying our hatred is hardly the thing.

ADVOCATE NEW LINES.

Too Many "Rubber-Necks" at the Phone.

Editor Gazette: I have just returned from a trip down the valley to the counties north of Benton looking up the seed business, and while there I tried to talk business over the telephone lines to Corvallis. On account of so many "rubber-necks" on the lines it was impossible to transact my business. I never before entertained the idea that there were so many "rubbering" on the lines. It seems that when the bell rings down goes the receiver on most of the phones—if there are any who don't rubber I did not find it out. I must say that Mt. View line is an exception on this score, as there is very little "rubbering."

Now, what I want is for the farmers, and the business men of the towns between here and Portland, to get to thinking about putting a commercial telephone line through from Corvallis to Portland. Say, start at Corvallis and go to Monmouth, thence to Dallas, McMinnville, Hillsboro and on to Portland. Then start again at Corvallis and run to Albany, thence to Salem, Oregon City and on to Portland. Let the people south so far as Eugene, or farther, do likewise and connect with these lines.

Now, my idea of doing this, in making the start, is for the presidents of each line to call a meeting and get together. The various presidents could be the board, talk the matter over, select their committee and get the matter on foot as soon as possible. The farmers, and business men of the towns, should pull together and use their time and money to bring about this telephone system. Let the men of each county run to the county line and then those of the next county connect and do likewise.

I do not like this idea of having to pay 15 cents toll several times a day—it counts up in a year. It is better to pay for the line and then the charge will only be for repairs, and switchboard services until an automatic system is established. The telephone line from Corvallis to Albany has put on charges of 15 cents. Now, listen: The first thing you know these millionaires will get their lines through, then we will pay dearly for our talk and wish we had improved the time and put our own lines in first.

I am in favor of the farmers and business men that live here and do business owning all country lines and even centrals in towns: Now is the time to strike, while the iron is hot—don't wait until it is too late. Say every farmer or business man who owned a telephone, or used one, would put up \$15 each; that would mean considerable money. Still more can be raised if needed. With these lines once established we can buy and sell to Portland and keep posted on prices, and get the entire profit without the middlemen getting a bit out of all our produce.

Start the ball to rolling—don't sit down and wait for it to turn up itself. If you want it to turn up get out and make it. We "hayseeds" have been poking behind long enough by taking what people pay and paying what they ask. Raise the best there is, no matter whether it be stock, seeds or produce. If it is the best you can ask a reasonable price and get it.

I am looking for a bright future for the farmers of this valley. There is as much money to be made here as in the East if you take advantage of the "pick ups" that await you. Raise more clover, vetches, artichokes; keep more good cows—paying cows, not some old things that will not pay their keep. The time is not far off when the electric light and electric car will be in or near most country homes.

L. L. BROOKS.

Was on Wrecked Train.

Vernon Jones, a young man whose home is 12 miles south of Corvallis, came up from Portland yesterday and went on the bay train on his way home. He came from The Dalles, where he spent some time on a business

visit, and was on the ill-fated express train that was telescoped by the Spokane Flyer at Bridal Veil on Tuesday morning. Mr. Jones is a brother of Mrs. Hugh Cummings, wife of one of the new owners of the Skipton stables in this city, and visited his sister for a short time between two trains yesterday. The young man was in the smoking car of the wrecked train and at the time of the wreck was in the act of leaving his seat. When the runaway engine struck the standing train the shock threw him over the back of three coach seats and he fell on his head and shoulders between two seats in such a manner as to sustain serious injuries. His head and face were badly scratched up and his neck was so badly injured that he was unable to wear a collar.

Asked as to his injuries, he stated that he had seen a physician at the scene of the wreck and was informed that he was not seriously hurt. Here he was advised to see an attorney to ascertain just what the extent of his injuries were. Mr. Jones boarded the wrecked train at The Dalles. His trunk, which was in the baggage car of the train on which he came down, was badly scarred up as a result of the wreck.—Albany Herald.

Additional Local.

Drop head sewing machines \$18 at Blackledge's. 97ft

Many people have been considering the matter of early gardens of late, on account of the fine weather.

Acme Washing Machines at Blackledge's. 97ft

Mrs. O. V. Hunt and daughter, Miss Maud, are going to Portland today for a visit of about a week.

See A. B. Senger for up-to-date plumbing. 14ft

Tuesday articles of incorporation of the Summit Telephone Company were filed with Clerk Moses. The capital stock is \$1,000, in shares of \$5 each. Corvallis is designated as the place of business and the incorporators are B. W. Johnson, P. M. Zierolf and M. L. Frantz.

Sulphur, lime and salt for Spraying at S. L. Klines. 14

Cal Simpson, a cousin of John and Rufus Simpson of this city, will leave today for Monterey, Cal., for a visit of some length. He came to Corvallis about a week ago from The Dalles and since coming here has made a visit to the coast.

All kinds of plumbing at new shop, block north Hotel Corvallis. A. B. Senger. 14ft

There will be German preaching in the Presbyterian church next Sabbath afternoon at 1:30. Rev. C. J. Beyerline, of Albany, will preach.

At the Congregational church, Sunday evening, Miss Edna Allen will sing a solo with violin obligato. There will also be two anthems by the full choir.

Marsh Simpson, a well-known man of Elk City, passed through Corvallis yesterday en route to Polk county, where he is to visit relatives. He will visit awhile in this county on his way home.


W. E. Paul, of this city, who is now in the neighborhood of 60 years of age, related to a number of friends the other evening the fact that when he visited Dover, New Hampshire, a few years ago the same lady who taught him at school when he was a little boy is still teaching. She still teaches in the same old town and the same old school house.

The largest instrument filed in the recorder's office since T. T. Vincent has been the incumbent was handed in Wednesday for record. It is what is termed a mortgage and is from the Willamette Valley Company and is in the sum of \$800,000. In reality it makes it possible for the company to sell shares of stock in this sum. The same articles have been recorded in the counties of Linn and Lane. There are thirty pages of type-written matter, making more than 11,000 words. It will occupy about twenty pages of the mortgage record.

A Healing Gospel.

The Rev. J. C. Warren, pastor of the Sharon Baptist church, Blair, Ga., says of Electric Bitters: "It's a Godsend to mankind. It cured me of lame back, stiff joints, and complete physical collapse. I was so weak it took me half an hour to walk a mile. Two bottles of Electric Bitters have made me so strong I have just walked three miles in 50 minutes and feel like walking three more. It's made a new man of me." Greatest remedy for weakness and all stomach, liver and kidney complaints. Sold under guarantee at Allen & Woodward's drug store. Price 50 cents.

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Itch—Ringworm.

E. T. Lucas, Wingo, Ky., writes, April 25, 1902: "From ten to twelve years I had been afflicted with a malady known as the "itch". The itching was most unbearable; I had tried for years to find relief, having tried all remedies I could hear of, besides a number of doctors. I wish to state that one application of Ballard's Snow Liniment cured me completely and permanently. Since then I have used the liniment on two separate occasions for ring worm and it cured completely. 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by Graham & Wortham.

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